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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of the Claims:

Claim 1 (original): Sealing strip (1') for sealing a gap between two parts which are movable relative to each other, in particular the gap between a motor vehicle door and the edge of the vehicle structure allocated thereto, having a surface (5') which is intended to adhere to one of the two parts, and a surface (5) which is intended in the closed position to lie in a sealing manner against the other one of the two parts and otherwise constitutes a visible surface (5), consisting at least of one layer (2) which forms the visible surface and whose side remote from the surface (5) is coated with a layer (3) of adhesive which for its part is covered with a cover sheet (4) which keeps the adhesive in an active state, can be removed from the adhesive and in particular cannot be adhered thereto, and wherein the cover sheet (4) has at least one auxiliary means attached to it which is intended to remove the cover sheet manually from the layer (3), characterized in that the auxiliary means is formed from at least one tear-thread (7) which passes through only the substance of the cover sheet (4) and is connected thereto and whose at least one free end protrudes from the sealing strip (1').

Claim 2 (original): Sealing strip (1') as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that both ends of the tear-thread (7) protrude from the substance of the cover sheet (4) and are provided with planar holding elements (8, 8') on their ends or portions which protrude from the substance.

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Claim 3 (currently amended): Sealing strip (1') as claimed in claim 1 ~~or 2~~, characterized in that the tear-threads (7) are elements which consist of synthetic material and are pressed or shot into the substance of the cover sheet (4).

Claim 4 (currently amended): Sealing strip (1') as claimed in ~~any one of the preceding claims 1 to 3~~ claim 1, characterized by a layer (2) which forms the visible surface and consists of rubber or other elastomer, and by a layer (3) which consists of acrylic foam and is covered with a cover sheet (4) which cannot be adhered to acrylic foam.

Claim 5 (currently amended): Sealing strip (1') as claimed in ~~any one of the preceding claims 1 to 4~~ claim 1, characterized by a linear shape.

Claim 6 (currently amended): Sealing strip as claimed in ~~any one of the preceding claims 1 to 4~~ claim 1, characterized by a shape arranged in the manner of a closed curve.

Claim 7 (new): Sealing strip (1') as claimed in claim 2, characterized in that the tear-threads (7) are elements which consist of synthetic material and are pressed or shot into the substance of the cover sheet (4).

Claim 8 (new): Sealing strip (1') as claimed in claim 2, characterized by a layer (2) which forms the visible surface and consists of rubber or other elastomer, and by a layer (3) which consists of acrylic foam and is covered with a cover sheet (4) which cannot be adhered to acrylic foam.

Claim 9 (new): Sealing strip (1') as claimed in claim 3, characterized by a layer (2) which forms the visible surface and consists of rubber or other elastomer, and by a layer

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adhered to acrylic foam.

Claim 10 (new): Sealing strip (1') as claimed in claim 7, characterized by a layer (2) which forms the visible surface and consists of rubber or other elastomer, and by a layer (3) which consists of acrylic foam and is covered with a cover sheet (4) which cannot be adhered to acrylic foam.

Claim 11 (new): Sealing strip (1') as claimed in claim 2, characterized by a linear shape.

Claim 12 (new): Sealing strip (1') as claimed in claim 3, characterized by a linear shape.

Claim 13 (new): Sealing strip (1') as claimed in claim 4, characterized by a linear shape.

Claim 14 (new): Sealing strip (1') as claimed in claim 7, characterized by a linear shape.

Claim 15 (new): Sealing strip (1') as claimed in claim 8, characterized by a linear shape.

Claim 16 (new): Sealing strip as claimed in claim 2, characterized by a shape arranged in the manner of a closed curve.

Claim 17 (new): Sealing strip as claimed in claim 3, characterized by a shape arranged in the manner of a closed curve.

Claim 18 (new): Sealing strip as claimed in claim 4, characterized by a shape arranged in the manner of a closed curve.

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Claim 19 (new): Sealing strip as claimed in claim 7, characterized by a shape arranged in the manner of a closed curve.

Claim 20 (new): Sealing strip as claimed in claim 8, characterized by a shape arranged in the manner of a closed curve.